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To us who graduate in September, 1944, the dormancy of *The Grist* seemed irreconcilable. Irreconcilable to the extent that we waived our title to a Victory *Grist* when one appears, and withdrew our shares that we might for ourselves and for our classmates in the service publish a literary and pictorial memento of the days we spent as a class.

With a class of forty-one members, our efforts and results in publishing a book could scarcely hope to equal the high standards that the Rhode Island State *Grist* achieved in pre-war days, when some three hundred students graduated and contributed to its publication. It is our earnest hope that our achievement in publishing a little war-time *Grist, The GRISTETTE,* will at least be proportionate in quality to the editions that have gone before. We deeply appreciate and acknowledge Dr. Harold W. Browning's willingness to return the fees we paid for *The Grist,* so that our *GRISTETTE* would be possible.

A DEDICATION . . .

. . . to our boys who fight

". . . . Where are they now, whose sturdy hearts exploded
With gaiety in class rooms, where the gold
Star spelled accomplishment . . . . . ?
Where are they now, who tried to fit their legs
Under the bigger desks, not big enough,
Who scoffed at poetry, but scrawled brave poems
On yellow paper to their sky young loves?"

— Frances Frost

How can we write with simple words a tribute to you who are not here? How can we tell of our feelings for you . . . of our pride . . . our longing . . . and our sadness?

For three years we who graduate have lived in Kingston, in the gaiety, happiness, and safety of Little Rest. You knew a year of that life, only a year, and then, one by one, you went away. We have wished so many times that you were with us, to hold those campus positions which are rightfully yours, to put into our class that pep which comes only from masculine effort.

We have honored you in our hearts, on our Service Flag, and in our Rhody Roll Call, and yet they were honors to which both a sadness and pride were attached. Yes, we will always be proud of you, proud that you left to fight for a freedom which, in its dearness, was also our duty to defend; but sad that you left us to spend our college days without you.

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To the Members of the Graduating Class—

Your days in college have been history-making days. The tempo of war has paced your college careers. Your aims and purposes as undergraduates have been geared to the demands of the emergency. For you, college has been different from the leisurely regimen enjoyed by former generations of students. You have had to forego some of the normal attributes of college; you have gained other benefits by reason of intensiveness of effort and definiteness of objective.

During your sojourn on our campus, the college has been living up to its tradition of patriotic endeavor. As never before, the nation in this war has been called upon to give complete service. Through its diverse program of instruction, research and extension, the college has functioned as an essential war agency. Our students who have remained in college, applying themselves diligently under the accelerated program, have all played their appointed part in this total effort. On behalf of the administration, it is a pleasure to recognize their spirit of devotion and to acknowledge their cooperation.

College these recent years has been a challenging adventure, but a still greater challenge awaits you as you enter upon the new adventures of the post-war world. Wherever duty calls, the good will of your Alma Mater will always attend you.

CARL R. WOODWARD,

President, Rhode Island State College

September 7, 1944.

To Honor Our Adviser . . .

Russia had its Dostoievski, England had its Thackeray, France had its Flaubert, but the Class of Forty-five has and will always hold dear its Miss Reilly.

As freshmen in 1941, we chose Miss Mary Alice Reilly as our class adviser, and in her we found the strength and encouragement needed to make us an outstanding class. At all times she proved herself a person from whom we could gain advice and to whom we could go in sincerity with any problem, whether it was an academic one or not. Although she was on leave for one year out of our three-year stay in college, when with us she made up in every way for this absence.

Little did we think that nearly coincidental with our being awarded our B. S. degrees our adviser would receive her doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh.

We will say Dr. Reilly, but in our hearts and minds we will always remember Miss Reilly—a class adviser of whom we shall always be proud.

DR. MARY A. REILLY

Ladies and Gentlemen, the Seniors:

I think you know, as you go out, that you have my God-speed and my wishes that you fare very well.

It happened that your years at college were those particular war years spanned by the fall and the liberation of France. While not unaware of the flickering of the candle in the wind, you had enough insulation from the inquiet world to go on with your work. You laughed, too, and you made friends; you testified your generosity and your common sense; you began sorting the trivia of life from the essentials. When you thought of your absent classmates, who are manning posts all over the world to prevent "the fall of the city," you nursed everyman's chronic dream: a future in which peace is that human achievement which has no peer. To transmute the dream, peace, into reality is an incomparably difficult assignment.

After the farewell to arms, we shall have our chance at the assignment. What do we know about it? We know that the intoxication of victory, together with the physical and spiritual exhaustion which follow wars, heightens the difficulty of peace-making. The rule of dog eat dog, rusty cynicism, that blight, fatalism, escapism—none of these are loyal friends of peace. Idealism, alone, will not insure peace, inspiring as are the concepts that love is the universal solvent for the world's troubles and "that man to man, the world o'er, shall brithers be for a' that." Realism, alone, will not insure peace, important as are the sharing of property and profits, the measuring of boundaries, and statistics of all kinds. It may be that the perfect blending of idealism and realism can induce man, equipped with a brain and emotions, to live in peace with his fellow-man. The snag, of course, is the word, "perfect." Yet despair need not claim us, for we have now some powerful internationalists to send to the utopia: we have humanism, world-literature, world-science, and the most astute of all ambassadors, music. When we achieve a world-conscience, peace may well be a religion . . .

Mary A. Reilly.

ACCOLADE for Our Distinguished Members

Front Row: Betty Whitaker, Elsie Martin, Marjery Harrington.
Back Row: Louise Anthony, Jeanne Freeman, Dorothea Dahlquist.

LOUISE ANTHONY

The athlete among our girls, Lou, of Chi Omega, won her shield, key, and blazer, and was president of W. A. A. during her senior year. Going all out for sports, she was on both the varsity basketball and hockey teams, and played softball and speedball. A versatile girl, Lou was a member of W. S. G. A. and Sachems, and was Sports Editor of the BEACON and the GRISTETTE. She plans to attend a Physical Education college in the fall. If interest makes for success, Louise's battle is already won.

JEANNE FREEMAN

An outstanding Chi Omega co-ed in many ways, Jeanne, one of those few Biology majors, established a real precedent in her senior year by being elected to what was traditionally a man's office: Moderator of Sachems. She has held all three positions of our class — Secretary, Vice President and Director, and has been president of Phi Sigma, Glee Club, Junior Councillors and Chi Omega. Enthusiastically active in sports, Jeanne was a member of the varsity basketball and hockey teams, and in her Junior year was the recipient of a WAA blazer. Jeanne, with boundless energy, always has been ready and willing to tackle anything, and we know with such spirit she will prove her worth in the world.

ELIZABETH WHITAKER

"Quality, not quantity" can well describe "Little Whit," a Delta Zeta, and an essential member of W. S. G. A., for three years. She held all three offices of that organization, secretary-treasurer, vice president, and president. In her Senior year, Betty went as our representative to the New England Student Government Convention at the Universiy of Vermont. She was also active in sports, and showed her versatility by being chosen May Day Queen. She found time to be Women's Editor of the BEACON and of the GRISTETTE, and was president of her group of Junior Councillors.

DOROTHEA DAHLQUIST

Majoring in Biology, "Dee" began her college career by being elected vice-president of our Freshman class and by starring in the Freshman Phi Delta plays. During that year, "Dee" showed an interest in sports. Chosen as a cheerleader, she used most of her efforts on the halfback, Donnie Dwyer. In her sophomore year "Dee" was elected secretary of the class, and was our Queen of the Soph Hop. "Dee" is a Delta Zeta who has achieved Sachem membership, and has the distinction of being the last Regimental Sweetheart elected by the R. O. T. C. for the duration. Clever writing and original ideas have characterized her talent as Feature Editor of the BEACON and the GRISTETTE.

MARGERY HARRINGTON

Known for the fine work she did on the BEACON, Margie, a Chi Omega, was twice Managing Editor of the BEACON and held that same office on the GRISTETTE. She was elected to Sachems, became its secretary, participated in Intramural sports, was a Junior Councillor, and secretary of the Radio Club. As president of the Home Economics Club, Margie went in the summer of her senior year as the campus representative to the annual Home Economics convention in Chicago. Her ambition for the duration lies in the direction of journalizing for Vogue or Mademoiselle. When that Marine captain comes marching home, we know her journalistic career will be a thing of the past.

ELSIE MARTIN

An outstanding student in English and history, Elsie, a Chi Omega, twice president of the the International Relations Clubs, was instrumental in bringing that organization to its place of prominence on campus. Active in W. S. G. A. for three years, Els was elected its president in her senior year. Elsie was also an active member of Portia and served as vice president. The world waits for and wants people like you, Elsie!

WE OF SEPTEMBER, 1944

Front Row (left to right)—Margaret Aharonian, Frieda Kemos, Irene Vock, Jeanne Freeman, Joseph Daly, Betty Whitaker, Mary Jones, Margery Harrington, Edgar Barwood.
Second Row—Betty Thresher, Elsie Martin, Marilyn Henry, Ruth Atkinson, Ruth Wyatt, Kay Browning, Dorothy Hynes, Ethel Allen, Dorothea Dahlquist, Edith Angell, Louise Anthony.
Third Row—Iris Strong, Barbara Martin, Janet Joyce, Lois Young, Virginia Chapman, Margaret Maher, Elaine Blumenthal, Marjorie Howe, Lucie Meola.
Fourth Row—Janice Harred, Florence Wynn, Dorothy Pierce, Barbara Drummond, Norma Bugbee, Yvonne Yare, Marian Aldred.

LIFE LINES

Margaret Aharonian . . .

Peggy, who studies Home Management for a practical purpose, loves to talk and be with people . . an interest at Brown took her away from us through nearly four years of week-end . . . 'til came Haig's "Greetings."

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Marion Aldred . . .

Revelling in revealing nature's botanical secrets, this flare-haired miss whom Westbrook Junior College sent us has been active in the Dormitory Association and in W. S. G. A. plans . . . a member of Phi Kappa Phi . . . the University of Wisconsin has already claimed her as a graduate student and awarded her an assistantship in Botany . . . working with orchids no less!

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Ethel Allen . . .

Known affectionately as "Etch," "Eth," or just plain "HEY-ALLEN" . . . divides her time between the Commuters' room and Chi O . . . as a sports enthusiast, she's an expert at the fifty-yard dash, especially when en route to the post office to collect her daily letter from . . . well, you know. . .

Edith Angell . . .

"Ede," a Delta Zeta . . . graduates from the Child Development course . . . an "All-around girl," she's proved to be in three years' participation in athletics, intramural and varsity hockey, basketball, and softball, and a capable jurist for W. S. G. A.

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Ruth Atkinson . . .

A sparkle in the Commuters' room . . . the reflection of Ruth's diamond . . . "beautiful and engaged" . . . she's one of the "Three Musketeers" . . . and the girl with the smile . . . behind the counter at Vars.

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Edgar Barwood . . .

Whose education promises to open for him the gateways of travel in South America . . . a business student with allied interests . . . "Ed" likes debating and has been active in Wranglers for three years . . . he's artistically inclined and has utilized his abilities on our GRISTETTE . . . a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity, Ed was president of his house as a senior.

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Elaine Blumental . . .

A teacher-trainer, Elaine is one of the very few of us who has a job waiting . . . where? . . . in East Greenwich High School . . . Elaine, a member of Nu Alpha Sorority, was ever conscientious as a student, as a member of Portia Club, and as President of Pan-Hellenic Association this past semester.

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Carolyn Browning . . .

With Kay as shortstop or at bat how can the Chi O's help but win a softball game? . . . how could the Chi O Cabaret be a success without "Champagne Charlie"? . . . the "gal" with the neat plaid slacks, who possesses unique ability as a mimic, and is destined to brighten the business world upon her graduation.

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Norma Bugbee . . .

Rara pon fanis est, qui facit Phi Kappa Phi! or in English, rare is the bridge fan who makes Phi Kappa Phi . . . Norma's the exception that proves the rule. . . a Sigma Kappa well-known for her enthusiasm at bridge, a Junior Councilor, a member of Glee Club, I. R. C., W. A. A., and Phi Delta . . . food institutes will know the benefits of Norma's vivacious personality and active mind.

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Virginia Chapman . . .

"Happy-Chappy" of the "three musketeers," a commuter, who elected every history course . . . was it an intense interest or Dr. Thomas' pleasing drawl? . . . when you shop at R. H. Macy's to save your do-do-do look for Chappy, she'll be waiting for you, just call for . . . "Happy-Chappy."

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Joseph Daly . . . .

A Biology-major, and a member of Rho Iota Kappa, Joe is one of the few boys of "Forty-Five" who has stayed with us for three years . . . his has been a welcome presence . . . a real student in every sense of the word . . . Joe did problem work in Bacteriology and Botany and plans to undertake graduate study at the University of Minnesota . . . he'll make a name for himself.

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Barbara Drummond . . .

A sophisticated-looking Sigma Kappa, an ardent supporter of Phi Delta . . . Barbie displayed real talent as the star of several plays and became Phi Delta's vice president for two years . . . mindful of our times, "B. D." plans to utilize her knowledge of nutrition in service with the Red Cross.

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Janice Harred . . .

"Sweeter than the roses in June" . . . the original "peaches and cream" complexion . . . all this and an ardent debater, too . . . even with trips to Wisconsin and Washington, D. C., this Chi O girl maintains her scholarship . . . an envied accomplishment . . . Pembroke

sent us a winner when "Jan" came to Rhody.

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Marilyn Henry . . .

So many orginial members of the class which entered in September, '41, are lost to us . . . a few of these places have been taken . . . "Lynn" is an "adopted daughter" . . . being a commuter necessarily limited her contacts, but her Sigma sisters and those who enjoy classes with her have had the opportunity to know her excellent qualities . . . "Fine foods for the future's families" is what she has to sell the world.

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Ann Hopkins . . .

Toot! Toot! Three cheers for "Anno" . . . hers is the privilege of dangling a Phi Kappa Phi pin . . . she piles the commuters into her convertible and they're off for pie a la mode at Taylor's . . . everybody's ready for a laugh when Ann has drawled out, "Wa-ll"; the sure signal of a good-ole Hopkins' joke.

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Marjorie Howe . . .

And how, and how! Are we happy to present this stalwart member of the choir, staunch officer of the Dorm Association! . . . a future social worker . . . assured of success because of her understanding and sympathetic manner.

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Dorothy Hynes . . .

The Commuters' U. S. O. girl with the line-long-enough-to-hang-herself . . . insists on being partial to a boy with the shoulder hardware (e. g Ted) . . . a great story-teller, and not afraid when the laugh is on herself.

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Mary Jones . . .

Worthy to work with children, her duties performed for W. A. A. and W. S. G. A., have borne the imprint of fair play, cooperation, and sincere interest . . . in sports, we'll remember her as active in intramural and varsity hockey, and a star guard on the basketball court . . . vice president of W. A. A. and the winner of a shield and key . . a Delta Zeta and W. S. G. A. officer for three years.

Margaret Maher . . .

The "gal" whose name is an enigma . . . it's really "Mar" not "Mayer" or "Ma-ha" or any of the other variations . . . foreign languages are her specialty with English and history competing for second place . . . we admire Margaret very much.

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Barbara Martin . . .

Versatile, vivacious "Barbie-Vic" . . . the life of any party . . . she renders upon request any song with her own inimitable interpretation—and writes 'em too . . . the power behind Phi Delta and Newman club . . . enthusiastic about everything.

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Lucie Meola . . .

Lucie's here for the week-end . . . an event . . . an unsolved mystery! . . . the big attraction at home? . . . Lucie makes every minute count . . . a faithful and loyal worker for the Dorm, for Home Ec Club and for the Concert Choir . . . she'll be a textile chemist soon.

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Erna Petri . . .

First in many ways . . . one of the earliest to enroll in the Child Development curriculum . . . early to arrive for Glee Club . . . and ranking tops for her sweet disposition.

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Janet Joyce . . .

A member of Sigma Kappa Sorority, receiving her degree in Home Economics Institutional Management option . . . this one of us took an active part in athletics and dramatics . . . was a frequent candidate for queen of dances held in pre-war days . . . petite but winning, Janet's smile and ways will carry her as far as her heart desires.

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Frieda Kemos . . .

A lovable individual with varied interests: Literature, music, history . . . amazing vitality . . . Frieda has made many lasting friends here and mastered well her science courses . . . president of Phi Mu Delta House, social chairman of I. R. C., business manager of the

GRISTETTE, number among her activities as a Senior . . . Bacteriology is a field that fascinates her.

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Dorothy Pierce . . .

Unafraid of innovations, here's another Home Economics student who enrolled in the Child Development course . . . quiet, but friendly and capable . . . from Sigma Kappa . . . that "Dotty's" talents are needed and will be appreciated in the field of nursery school work is ascertained.

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Lois Pingree . . .

Another Sigma . . . transferred from Home Economics to Science and Biology in her Sophomore year . . . played varsity hockey, belonged to Phi Sigma, was a representative to Pan-Hellenic Association . . . Congratulations are in order for the opening she's found at Yale University to study nursing.

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Maurice Shore . . .

An active member of Alpha Epsilon Pi, Moe, a well-disposed fellow, is another old timer in the class of "Forty-Five" . . . his willingness to help others places him high in the estimation of his friends and classmates . . . for three years he's made Ranger his "home," and as for separating Chemistry and Moe, it just never could be done!

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Iris Strong . . .

Nu Alph's pride and able leader . . . introduced to us through the Freshman plays . . . for two years Iris has presided over Nu Alpha Sorority . . . her interest in debating led her to become Manager and later President of Portia Club . . . active also on the BEACON and GRISTETTE . . . meeting Iris we are reminded of the "face that launched a thousand ships."

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Betty Thresher . . .

We are carried back to pre-war dances again . . . Betty was a candidate for Queen . . . tall, blonde, terrific . . . known as "Trash" . . . she's generously given her time to the BEACON, the GRISTETTE, and Sigma Kappa Sorority . . . some lucky pupils have a happy class room in store, when Betty becomes teacher.

Irene Vock . . .

Versatile, vivacious, valedictorian of the Senior Class Day, and a skilled verbalist . . . here only for two years . . . participating as Treasurer, Publicity Manager, and twice Vice President of International Relations Club, Secretary-Treasurer of Portia Club, Vice President of the Phi Mu Delta House, News Editor of the BEACON, and Editor-in-Chief of the GRISTETTE, a member of Glee Club and the W. S. G. A. Judicial Board . . . she'd like to attend graduate school and study for a master's degree in journalism. Our confidence is in Irene's becoming a successful journalist.

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Ruth Wyatt . . .

"Skippo," the Chi O with a gift for impersonation . . . humor on all occasions . . . has handsome brothers (sigh) . . . rendered a marvelous performance as "Claudia" . . . fresh as a daisy, even when she's "Wilt"ing in the "Sunn."

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Florence Wynne . . .

A Sigma Kappa characterized by her willingness to be helpful . . . she's been active in Glee Club, Home Economics Club, Newman Club, and as a Junior Councilor . . . Flossie's way of winning friends will popularize her wherever she goes . . . she plans a career in Institutional Management.

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Yvonne Yare . . .

Who took all the scholastic honors when we were Freshmen? . . . who walked off with the honors when we finished our Sophomore and Junior years? . . . who is the little lady who earned so many prizes and scholarships? . . . Everyone knows . . . it's the class member who entered as Yvonne Hunter, soon became known as "Pinkie," and graduates as Mrs. Yare.

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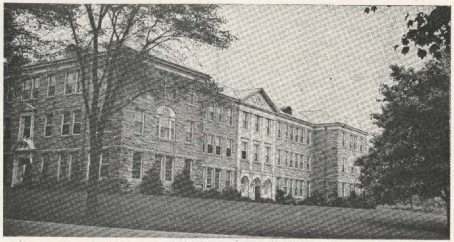
Lois Young . . .

The second Lois whom we give to Yale's nursing course . . . aesthetically inclined, Lois likes music and literature . . . an efficient person who'll be graduated from the Home Economics course . . . perseverance and patience are virtues in a nurse, and both belong to Lois.

QUINN HALL



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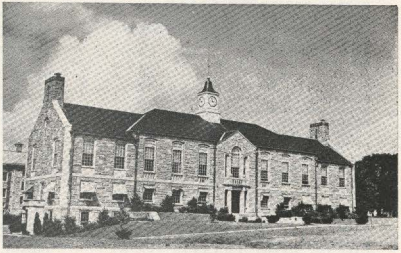

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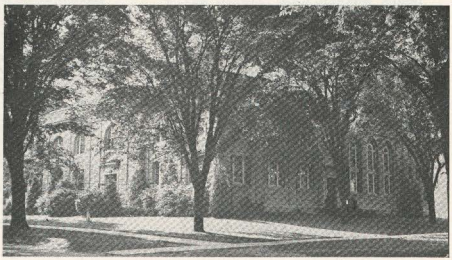

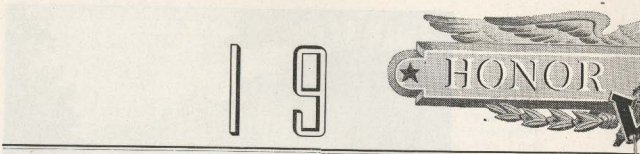

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HENLEY, CHANDLER, PFC. U.S.A.
HERSEY, CHARLES, U.S.A.
HILDEBRAND, GEORGE, 1ST. LT. U.S.A.A.F.
HIMEON, HAROLD, S/SGT. U.S.A.
HOLBURN, HUGH, PVT. U.S.A.A.C.R.
HOULE, OMER, O/C U.S.A.
HULL, FRANK, U.S.A.
HUNT, WILLIAM, PVT. U.S.A. INFANTRY
JAASKELA, EUGENE, O/C U.S.A.
JOHNSTON, CHARLES, PVT. U.S.A.
KAIN, JOHN, U.S.A.
KAPOWICH, JOHN, U.S.A.
KELLS, ROBERT, M/SGT. U.S.A.A.C.
KENERLEBER, ALFRED, CPL. U.S.A.A.C.
KIVLIN, JOSEPH, ENSIGN, U.S.N.R.
KLEIN, NORMAN, S3/C U.S.N.A.C.
KNIGHT, CHARLES, MIDSH. U.S.N.

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KUDLACIK, LOUIS, U.S.A.A.C.
LANPHEAR, CLAYTON, U.S.A.
LIBERATI, EUGENE, U.S.A.
LIGUORI, ALPHONSE, U.S.A.A.C.
LINEHAN, JOHN, U.S.A.
LITWIN, ALFRED, PVT. U.S.A.
LOMBARDI, NICHOLAS, PVT. U.S.A.
LONG, SYLVESTER, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
LOVETT, JAMES, LT. U.S.A. INFANTRY
LOWE, HAROLD, U.S.A.A.F.
McELROY, FRANCIS, U.S.N.A.C.
MACKER, ALLEN, U.S.A.A.F.
MADDELENA, HAROLD, U.S.A.
MANNING, DAVID, U.S.A.
MARASCO, RALPH, S1/C N.T.S.
MARZILLI, VINCENT, U.S.A.A.F.
MASON, ARTHUR, PFC. U.S.A. INFANTRY
MASTERSON, STEVEN, U.S.A.
MEDAS, JOSEPH, CPL. U.S.A.
MEDEIROS, ARTHUR, U.S.A.
MESROBIAN, JOHN, U.S.A.
MILLER, ALAN, U.S.A. INFANTRY
MILLER, ROBERT, U.S.N.T.S.
MORSE, RICHARD, U.S.A.
MORSILLI, FREDERICK, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
MULCAHY, WILLIAM, U.S.A.
OGDEN, WILFRED, U.S.A.A.F.
OPDYKE, GEORGE, U.S.A.
ORTLEVA, ROBERT, PFC. ARMY
PASCONE, DONATO, LT. U.S.A.
PERRY, GEORGE, LT. U.S.A.
PETTENGILL, ARNOLD, LT. U.S.A. FIELD ART.
PHILLIPS, CHARLES, LT. U.S.M.C.R.
PIGNATARO, JAMES, U.S.N.
PIRANI, JOHN, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
PLATT, RONALD, LT. U.S.A.
POULOS, PANOS, U.S.A.A.C.
PROCTOR, DONALD, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
PYNE, JAMES, SGT. U.S.M.C.
RECORDS, HENRY, ENSIGN U.S.M.M.
ROBBINS, DONALD, N.A.C.C.
ROBERTS, JOHN, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
ROBINSON, JOHN, PVT. U.S.A.
ROCCIOLO, JOHN, U.S.A.
ROCK, JOSEPH, PFC. U.S.A.
ROMANO, JOHN, A.S.N.R.
ROSSI, FRANK, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
ROSSI, LOUIS, MIDSH. U.S.N.R.
RUSK, JOHN, U.S.A.A.F.
RUSSELL, WILLIAM, LT. U.S.A.A.F.
SALTER, WARREN, PVT. U.S.A.
SAMARAS, NICHOLAS, U.S.A.A.C.
SANATORO, SEBASTIANO, U.S.A.
SARRA, FRANK, U.S.A.A.F.
SCHOCK, CHARLES, U.S.M.M.
SCOTT, ROBERT, U.S.A.A.F.M.D.
SELBY, CHARLES, U.S.A.
SILVESTRI, ANTHONY, U.S.A.
SIMMON, JAMES, U.S.A.
SMITH, LINWOOD, U.S.A.
SMITH, RICHARD, H. A. S/2 U.S.N.R.
SPARKS, MOSES, U.S.N.R.
SPENCER, ANDREW, U.S.A.
STEAD, DEXTER, 3/C A.M.M.
STELLITANO, JOHN, U.S.A.
STICKNEY, ALDEN, U.S.A.
STOTT, CHESTER, LT. U.S.A. INFANTRY
SUDDARD, THEODORE, S2/C U.S.N.T.S.
SUNDIN, ROGER, U.S.A.A.F.
SZYMKOWICZ, RAYMOND, PVT. U.S.A. INF.
THOMAS, WHEATON, PVT. U.S.A. INFANTRY
TOPAZIO, ATTILLIO, PFC. T.V.A.
TRAYNER, ALBERT, O.C.S., U.S.A.
WALES, THAYER, LT. U.S.A. INFANTRY
WATSON, WILLIAM, U.S.A.A.F.
WEINER, LLOYD, U.S.N.
WHITAKER, WILLIAM, LT. U.S.A.
WILBOUR, CHAMPLIN, C.M., M.M.
WILLARD, KENNETH, U.S.A.A.F.
WILSON, JAMES, U.S.A.A.F.
WRIGHT, FRANK, U.S.A.
WYNNE, RICHARD, MIDSH. ANNAPOLIS
ZALKIND, PHILIP, PVT. S.C.S.U.

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EATOUGH, VIRGINIA, SC3/C WAVES
TIMMONS, PHYLLIS BANFIELD, T3/C WAVES

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We are sorry this list is incomplete, but we have no record of the whereabouts of the other boys who were in the original class of 1945.

Days of Our Years: Class History

"Rhode Island State, we pledge our Loyalty,
The Class of Nineteen Forty-five....."

A class song . . . . sung in September, 1941, by four hundred and fifty freshmen. Yes, we were freshmen, green and innocent and enthusiastic. For a long time the word "college" had held a peculiar fascination for us. We had imagined that college life consisted of four years which were an entity of life in themselves. College was a world of its own; the outside world simply ceased to exist.

And so we came in September and sang our song in September. It was **our** song; we would sing it for four years, and in June, 1945, we would receive our diplomas and sing our song for the last time, together. Little did we dream then of what the next four years had in store for the Class of Forty-five.

"We give the best we have to offer,
To keep her glorious name alive . . ."

That first year, as an actual part of Rhody's student body of twelve hundred, we were proud to give all that we could. The girls started in with a bang-up stunt night at which Dean Gilbert, the freshman of the faculty, stole the show. We chose Miss Mary A. Reilly as our class adviser, and elected Carl Beckman, President; Dorothea Dahlquist, Vice President; Champlin Wilbour, Treasurer; Jeanne Freeman, Secretary, and Gordon Davis, Social Chairman. The Class of Forty-five had a finger in almost every organization on campus. We went out for sports . . . freshman football, basketball, baseball, and we remember such names as Aldrich, Miller, Dahl, Topazio, Davis, Donabedian, Wilbour, Bennett. . . . Our own cheerleaders, Carl Beckman, Owen Dexter, and Dee Dahlquist, followed the team and kept us rooting. None of our girls made Varsity teams that year but they made records . . . all of them . . . Browning, Angell, Anthony, Freeman, Jones, Whitaker, Pingree and E. Martin.

That was a year to remember. A year of real college life. There was no moment of rest. Event followed event . . . Vic dances on Friday nights . . . Homecoming week-end and the fair at Rodman . . . State celebrating its fiftieth anniversary . . . the Aggie Bawl . . . football games . . . particularly our victory over Connecticut, and our boys took their caps off . . . fraternity and sorority rushing . . . State's stealing the Brown bear . . . bonfire rallies and snake lines . . . Slide Rule Strut . . . Rhode Island's victory over Fordham in the Garden . . . Soph Hop and Junior Prom and our own Frosh Frolic.

Yes, event followed event. Our own events over which the outside world had no control. On December 7, 1941, our college life began to change. We didn't realize it then, but the troubles of the outside world became **our** troubles. It was war, all right, but "war" was just a word to us then. We didn't think of it in terms of diminished enrollments, of our own boys in uniform, being killed, of rationed gas and food and clothing, of soldiers on our campus. We kept on living a normal life until May; then they talked of a word called "acceleration," and of first semester and second semester students. In June the graduating R. O. T. C. officers did not look for jobs; they went directly into the Infantry or the Air Corps.

"Acceleration" materialized. Most of the Junior and Senior classes went to school that next summer, and our class was divided for the first time. All our engineers and a few girls stayed in school that June; the rest of us went home to a summer of rest or work.

In September we came back as first semester Sophomores; those others of our class were in their second semester. We found things fairly normal, but there was an intangible "something" there which made college life that year different from the first. Many boys, even our own, had left school to join the Army or the Navy, and a Rhody Roll Call was an added feature in the Beacon.

"To honor State, and Land and College,
Our hearts and minds will ever strive . . ."

It was hard at first to keep things going in those times . . . everyone's mind was on the war . . . but we knew we had a definite responsibility; that now, as Sophomores, we had to work hard to keep State and its traditions, and that it was our duty to show the new Freshmen what college life should be.

We elected officers again: Carl Beckman, again as President; Jeanne Freeman, Vice-President; Edward Dahl, Treasurer; Dorothea Dahlquist, Secretary, and Gordon Davis, Social Chairman. Our adviser, Miss Reilly, went on leave to work for her Doctor's Degree in English.

The first formal dance of the year, in October, was our own Soph Hop for which Sam Donahue's Orchestra played. Dee Dahlquist was selected to be Queen of the Sophomore Class. We had a football team and a basketball team, and many of our boys made Varsity . . . Miller, Topazio, Bennett, Donabedian, Davis. At the same time, some boys of the Class of Forty-five had made Uncle Sam's Varsity team. Girls, too, were prominent on the hockey field and the basketball court . . . Anthony, Angell, Browning, Jones, Freeman, Pingree, and Whitaker. All the clubs on campus received our hearty support . . . Portia, Wranglers, Home Ec Club, the Choir, Phi Delta, 4-H Club, Camera Club, Student Senate. W. S. G. A., and the Beacon.

The war was brought even closer by the arrival of C. P. T. groups . . . our football team did well but we realized that it was a "war time team" after the physical slaughter by New Hampshire . . . December, and the last Junior Prom at the Biltmore . . . basketball team beaten in the Garden . . . the last Mil Ball in April and Dee Dahlquist was chosen Sweetheart of the Regiment . . . another graduation in June, the second since September for one had taken place in February. This accelerated program had really taken hold of the campus, and most of us planned to continue as first semester Juniors through the summer.

There was no denying the presence of war on the campus that semester. Two hundred and fifty Army trainees moved into Eleanor Roosevelt Hall, and our own Senior R. O. T. C. boys were put into the regular Army, and lived with the ASTP's. Our cafeteria was given over to their use, and the students used the housing units as dining rooms. The civilian boys, regardless of their fraternity, were moved into T K E, Alpha Tau, Lambda Chi and Beta Psi. The other fraternity houses were occupied by dorm girls and freshmen. We heard talk of donating blood . . . air raid drills . . . war diplomas . . . and then a service flag for our Rhody boys, some of them members of our own Class of Forty-five, was hung in Edwards Auditorium. That made us realize how close to home the war was, and, although we were proud of them, we were saddened at the sight of the blue and the gold stars.

September came and brought another graduation. Those of our class who had not attended school that summer returned, and the Class of Forty-five then existed in three sections.

Football was a casualty that fall, along with the Soph Hop, Junior Prom, and so many of the clubs. Girls were forced to take over many of the organizations; even The Beacon staff was ninety per cent feminine. . . . Our girls made a good showing in basketball and hockey . . . and our Rhody basketball team played in Philadelphia and the Garden. That year we had no class officers, but instead each semester sent one representative to a Student Board. Jeanne Freeman was chosen as our representative.

That winter we were grateful for the presence of the ASTP boys . . . they were the inspiration for the opening of the Union, a sort of Campus USO for which purpose Beta Phi was used. The soldiers produced a play, "Misbehavin'," and held a winter formal, the "Crystal Ball." Somewhere . . . somehow . . . we hoped **our** boys were having a little fun.

January saw five of our class tapped for Sachems, and, indicative of conditions on campus, these five were all girls . . . Lou Anthony, Dee Dahlquist, Jeanne Freeman, Margie Harrington and Betty Thresher.

In February the ASTP's left us, and no longer did the windows of Davis and Roosevelt blaze with lights. They were ghost places . . . and the absence of marching feet, khaki, and "Hup, two, three, four" made the campus a dismal place.

Scarcely had they gone when the first accelerators of the Class of Forty-five donned their caps and gowns for assemblies. Thirty-nine of them . . . backed by us . . . and yet it was sad that our class should be divided in that way . . . As those thirty-nine graduated, we became "the seniors" of the school. In this year we should have been completing our Junior year . . . and yet in one more semester we, too, would be gone.

That June saw the entrance of a large group of freshman boys who were destined to put into that one semester the spirit and enthusiasm we had been trying not to lose. An association, Tau Sigma, was formed that summer to replace the fraternity life which had been discontinued for the duration of the war. The freshman boys went through a Hell Week for Tau Sigma . . . and that Hell Week gave a certain warmth and a sense of happiness to the whole campus . . . it reminded us of our wonderful freshman year.

Two class representatives, Jeanne Freeman and Joseph Daly, were elected from our class to serve on the Student Board. That semester, too, Elsie Martin was elected President of W. S. G. A., this setting somewhat of a precedent. Betty Whitaker had served as that officer the preceding semester, so that, as in no time before, we had two students from the same semester holding the same office. Another tradition was broken when Jeanne Freeman was elected Moderator of Sachems, an office always before held by a male student. Four of our members, Marian Aldred, Norma Bugbee, Ann Hopkins, and Yvonne Hunter Yare, received the highest award of honors, in July: that of being elected to Phi Kappa Phi. In August the Sophomores showed their desire to bring back some of the pleasures of normal times by holding a successful Soph Hop.

That same month we had our Cap and Gown Day . . . only a few more in number than the class which had just preceded us. We walked down the aisles of Edwards . . . and we could see those seniors who had done just that when we were freshmen . . . we could see the service flag . . . and we thought of our own song again . . .

"The cry resounds when we're around,
Let every freshman now proclaim,
'The Class of Forty Five is marching
Toward its goal and aim' . . . . "

Five short weeks and we were there . . . in the midst of our Senior weekend . . . with its Class Day and Commencement Ball . . . and finally its Graduation . . . the Class of Forty-five . . . one section already graduated . . . two more sections yet to graduate in the following February and May.

We tossed our tassels to the left and sang our Alma Mater as minute-old alumni . . . and as we did our minds had many thoughts . . . the war . . . the future . . . those boys, our boys, who we had dreamed just three years ago would still be with us, and who were now represented by gold stars and blue stars on the flag to our right.

Once away from our Rhody we shall begin to remember many things . . . the campus under a blanket of snow . . . the Elmer's tune of our freshman year . . . the sound of the train going through . . . the glistening of a full moon on Quinn's roof . . . the bell . . . bon-fire rallies and the "Fight song" . . . the green of the campus in springtime . . . From these we shall never escape. . . .

"To honor State and Land and College,
Our hearts and minds will ever strive,
We are the best at Rhody. . . . .
We're the Class of Nineteen Forty Five."

Sunset of Our Day

The events which comprised Senior Week were telescoped into a few crowded days in this wartime commencement. However, none of the special graduation spirit of mingled joy and sadness was lost.

Jeanne Freeman and Joe Daly, as semester directors, were general chairmen of the Senior activities. The plans arranged by them and their committees are as follows:

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August 25 Senior Movie Party at the Community Theatre. Joe Daly acted as "daddy" to the twenty-eight class members and Miss Reilly. "Father" paid for the bus and theatre tickets, and for sundaes afterward. The picture we saw was "Mr. Skeffington."

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September 21, Senior Picnic at Thirty Acres. The committee, Barbara Martin, Janet Joyce, Ruth Atkinson and Ann Hopkins provided a delicious meal, consisting of hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, potato salad, fresh peaches, cake, coffee, and cocoa. Miss Emma Kimball, cafeteria dietitian, assisted the committee. Swimming and games were a part of the program.

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September 22, Senior Banquet at Lippitt Hall. It has become a tradition for the Senior Banquet to be given by the faculty. Mr. Charles Hall alumni secretary, had charge of the arrangements.

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September 23, Class Day under the Elms. The other semester director, Jeanne Freeman, had charge of this program. She was assisted by Miss Mary A. Reilly, Miss Frieda Kemos, and Dr. Lee C. Wilson. The class day program is as follows:

Procession from Edwards Hall to the Elms.

Invocation by Rev. Mr. Ernest Allen.

Welcome by Joseph Daly, Class Director.

Presentation of Gift to Class Adviser, Elsie Martin.

Acceptance of Gift, Dr. Mary A. Reilly

Presentation of Class Gift to the College, Jeanne Freeman, Class Director.

Acceptance of Class Gift, President Carl R. Woodward.

Class Day Oration, "Our Responsibilities as Alumni," Edgar Barwood.

Class Prophecy, Barbara Martin and Ruth Wyatt.

Class Will, Dorothea Dahlquist and Elizabeth Whitaker.

Farewell, Irene Vock.

Procession from the Elms to Green Hall for the Planting of the Ivy.

Ivy Speaker, Barbara Drummond.

Ivy Planters, Norma Bugbee and Louise Anthony.

Song of the Class of 1945.

Benediction, Rev. Mr. Francis Wyatt.

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September 23, Commencement Ball in Lippitt Hall. In accordance with State tradition, this dance was given by the Junior class. Marcia Cady and Shirley Lalime, as representatives for the fifth and sixth semesters, were co-chairmen of the dance. Tommy Falle's orchestra supplied the music for this dance, to which everyone was invited.

September 24, Senior Breakfast at Lippitt Hall. Florence Wynne, Lucie Meola, and Elizabeth Whitaker directed the arrangements for the breakfast.

September 24, Commencement Exercises in Edwards Auditorium. The Commencement program was under the direction of the faculty.

In Sooth We Prophesy

September 1, 1954

Kingston, R. I.

Barbara Martin
The Bronx

Dear Barbara:

As you know I am director of the Union here at Rhode Island State College. Things are progressing, but then you must have heard about all the improvements on campus, such as the new Union which is situated down on the old football field with plenty of terrace space. Wilton lives here with me, of course, and travels back and forth to the farm every day. My seven little Sunns are all well.

The location of the Union is nice except that, until the new field is completed, the boys still must practice here, and it is quite annoying to have to duck the footballs which fly through the windows.

I am writing to you now to see if you will be able to come to the big reunion of the Class of September, 1944, that we are planning to hold at The Union. I do hope you will be able to come, for from the returns we have already received, all of the class expects to come. I have heard from **Joe Daly** who has recently developed a new Greek classification for all living or dead things, plant or animal. He is coming with his wife, **Marion Aldred Daly,** who assists him in his work when not taking care of their four children. I saw the whole family at their home in Chicago last month while I was attending a Home-Aero Economics Convention. The children are four lovely boys.

Speaking of Home-Aero Economics, that is one of the newest courses here at State. It is a combination of Home Economics and Aeronautics, and was established by **Margery Harrington** and **Jeanne Freeman.** Both are now on the faculty.

If you can come to the reunion on September 23, 1954, at The Union on Meade Field, please write back immediately. I hope the production of your latest play won't keep you so busy that you won't be able to make it. But when you do write, how about telling me the details of your latest dramatic effort? I read something about it in **Irene Voek's** column in The London Times. She is considered to be the leading journalist of the stage world, and I hear, gets a lot of her inside information through **Dee Dahlquist** who is now playing the feminine lead at one of the London theatres in "Moor or No Moor," a modern adaptation of "Othello."

Write soon.

Loyally yours in State,

Skip Wyatt Sunn

P. S. Well, what do you know? Just now the delivery boy came with The Union's most popular drink, and guess who it was? None other than **Kay Browning,** who found a marvelous source of income when her cows began to give malted milk.

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September 6, 1954
The Bronx

Skip W. Sunn
Kingston, R. I.

Skip, Darling:

Can't tell you how delighted I was to receive yours of the first! I simply wouldn't miss the gala affair at The Union.

My forthcoming production, "How Brown Is My Suntan," keeps me rather busy but I shall manage to fly down for the evening. Phi Delta's gift to drama, **Barbara Drummond,** is the leading roller. **Lynn Henry** is still holding down the ingenue. The play, a sophisticated comedy, shows Dr. Alice Reilly's own touch in the author's writing, who is none other than our English major, **Margaret Maher.** The play is adapted from **Ethel Allen's** autobiography. It was last year's best seller, and Ethel is still trying to get out of Narragansett, but just can't tear herself from the surf.

Last night all the Rhodyites in the production got together over cokes at the Clork Stub which is now under the new management of **Mo Shore.** His first accomplishment was the redecoration in Keaney blue and white, and the innovation of hat-check girls, who also mind the baby for a small extra fee. **Frieda Kemos** takes charge of sterilizing all the hats and for a slight charge will slip you one of **Janice Harred's** latest creations. You must have one of those hats with the famous slogan inside—"Hatted by Harred."

In the "Check the Baby, the Pretty Baby" Department Edith Angell does her best to keep both babies and parents happy.

But I mustn't forget to tell you whom I saw the other day as I was walking from my apartment on Park Avenue to 14th Street, **Chappy Chapman**! Naturally I asked her what she was doing. Or did you know she was still at Macy's Basement?

Until greater things on Union Day,

Productively yours,

Barbara.

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September 11, 1954

Barbara Martin
The Bronx

Dear Barbara:

I was certainly glad to hear that you'll be able to come. Maybe I can tell you more about the reunion. For instance, the first part is to be held on the Quadrangle. Dean of Women **Florence Wynne,** as a member of our class, will give the welcoming address before she leads us down to The Union. **Norma Bugbee,** the head dietician at The Union, is planning a real banquet for us. Transportation facilities will be available free. The Hopkins Plane Company, which is owned by **Ann Hopkins,** will take us down the road. Ann never got over those undergraduate days.

We plan to have a few speeches from the alums: such as one by that famous speech-maker, **Elsie Martin,** who is the Democratic candidate for the House of Representatives. We hope the party won't turn into a debate, for **Betty Whitaker,** the Republican candidate for that office, and the greatest advocate for a woman's place not being in the home, will also speak for a few minutes.

See you soon,

Skip.

P. S.: Just received a note from **Louise Anthony.** She's coming directly to the reunion off the boat from Europe. You must have heard that she and her Silly Nose Aquacade were in the Olympics. When not participating in such affairs, she managers her own gymnasium in Los Angeles: "The Build a New Body Gym, Be a New Girl for Him!"

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September 20, 1954

Skip W. Sunn

Kingston, R. I.

Dear Skip:

Just in case you haven't heard from all the class, I thought I would let you in on a few members I happened to meet.

I wonder if you saw the latest Sears-Roebuck catalogue which carried an advertisement for overalls made of dirtproof, waterproof, holeproof material made from old alfalfa — invented by **Ruth Atkinson.** The slogan reads, "It ain't hay." Ruth told me she carried on all the testing of the material through string-pulling at the Hunter-Yare Laboratories—the Back to Nature —Then He'll Dature—Department.

I understand that **Peggy Aharonian** is still in Kingston. I will be glad to see how she runs Home Management House and compare it with the good old days when we lived there.

Heard from **Betty Thresher** whose beauty shops all over the country are quite the rage. Women everywhere at last realize that gentlemen really do prefer blondes, and business is booming. She carried the accelerated idea from the educational to the business world and now has evolved a permanent set and blonde tint all in one easy half

hour. Have an appointment at Phoebe's Peroxide Place in a half-hour myself, so I must close.

Barbara.

P. S.: Speaking of bleachers, **Lois Pingree,** not content with her Master of Science, went on to get her Doctor's in Engineering, and now has Brooklyn's Best Carpenter Shoppe. When she heard about the reunion, she made plans immediately for bringing a carload of wood, to erect bleachers on the Quadrangle, so that the students may witness the fraternity softball games in comfort. Bleachers are her specialty.

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September 28, 1954

Barbara Martin

The Bronx

Dear Barbara:

Just finished cleaning up after five days' toil. It was worth it though to see all the kids once again. But really, my dear, don't you think it was a little unnecessary of **Dorothy Pierce** and **Erna Petri** to bring the whole nursery school with them? They really have done wonders, though, in that line, haven't they?

Did I happen to mention at the reunion that all the furniture and decorations were done by **Meola** and **Howe,** Inc.? Miss Dodson never could keep them straight, so they decided to go into business together and keep up the enigma. And of course you know that the murals in the Great Room were done by **Ed Barwood.** We were very fortunate to get him to do that work. He's so busy these days doing over the murals in the White House.

After the meeting, a few of us met with Dean Wynne and **Dr. Iris Strong** to suggest a few improvements for the campus. The best suggestion was made by **Elaine Blumenthal,** whose new book, "How High Is Up?" proves her mathematical genius. She held out for draining Thirty Acres, thus eliminating P. T. in all forms, and providing more parking space for those who love to watch the trains go by and for those who love. **Janet Joyce,** who recently remodeled Times Square with buildings in the form of their products — her most famous being the Hynes Soap Company in the shape of a bar of soap with bubbles emanating from the top at all hours and the slogan, "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles," suggested remodelling the campus in the same way. Sororities would resemble Varga girls, Washburn an accounting ledger, and Ranger a test tube.

I just received a belated telegram from **Mrs. Lois Prator.** She couldn't quite make the reunion because she had to launch one of her husband's ships. You know that he is Admiral of the Fishing Ships of the Pacific, don't you?

Mary Jane Jones certainly was a riot at the reunion! When I discovered her sipping just a few sips from each glass and also eating just a bit of each piece of spaghetti, she told me it was purely from habit. She explained that she worked in the testing lab of Young's Food for the Young, and she tastes all the food produced. Mary claims that it is a most satisfying work. The mortality rate for babies has shown a decided decrease since Mary started working for **Dr. Lois Young.** Dr. Young's scientifically, expertly prepared baby food is used by 99 33-99 per cent of all mothers throughout the world. Lois went into this type of business after receiving her doctor's degree from Columbia.

Seeing all the September '44 class again really gave me a thrill. Wilt and I are still laughing over some of the things that happened. It was so wonderful, we are already planning to have another big reunion in 1964 and every ten years after that. I do hope it will be possible. But now I must dash off and take the footballs from the poolroom—I swear they will never get that new field ready — and get the place fixed up for a freshman dance that is being held tonight. I guess there will always be freshmen.

Write soon,

Skip.

Our Habitats

PAN - HELLENIC ASSOCIATION comprises representatives from the four sororities on campus. It is concerned with determining and maintaining fair and friendly standards and policy among sororities. Pan-Hellenic Association also decides rushing dates, rules and procedures. In March, Pan-Hellenic honored the freshmen women at a tea in Sigma Kappa House A short rush season for first and second semester freshmen was held August 16-22.

The officers and representatives for the past semester were:
President—Elaine Blumenthal
Secretary-Treasurer—Jane Winter
Representatives:
Sigma Kappa: Lois Pingree, Jane Winter
Chi Omega: Kay Browning, Rosemary Blaine
Delta Zeta: Mary Jones, Shirlie Lalime
Nu Alpha: Elaine Blumenthal, Florence Sternbach.

Sorority Statistics

SIGMA KAPPA

Founded: National, November, 1874, at Colby College. Local, 1919.

Officers for the summer:
President: Norman Bugbee
Vice President: Ruth Dove
Recording Secretary: Yvonne Yare
Corresponding Secretary: Janet Joyce
Treasurer: Jean Salter
Social Chairman: Barbara Drummond
Rush Chairman: Jane Winter
Adviser: Dr. Margaret Parks.

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CHI OMEGA

Founded: National, April, 1895, at the University of Arkansas. Local, 1922.

Officers of the summer:
President: Jeanne Freeman
Vice President: Carolyn Browning
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Hanna
Corresponding Secretary: Marjorie Wheeler
Treasurer: Elaine MacDonald
Social Chairman: Rosemary Blaine
Rush Chairman: Carolyn Morgan
Adviser: Miss Lucy C. Tucker.

DELTA ZETA

Founded: National, October, 1902, at Miami University, Ohio. Local, 1928.

Officers:
President: Elizabeth Whitaker
Vice-President: Mary Delaney
Recording Secretary: Edith Angell
Corresponding Secretary: Agatha Jones
Treasurer: Beatrice Browning
Social Chairman: Dorothea Dahlquist
Rush Chairman: Eleanor Sandsea
Adviser: Miss Grace C. Whaley.

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NU ALPHA

Founded: 1935, Rhode Island State College.

Campus Club . . . Renamed Nu Alpha Sorority.

Officers:
President: Iris Strong
Vice-President: Elaine Blumenthal
Secretary: Dorothy Klemer
Treasurer: Florence Sternback
Librarian: Janice Edison
Custodian: Jaqueline Meyers
Rush Captain: Priscilla Dressler
Adviser: Miss Judith Cauman.

Women's Dormitories

With the advent of the A. S. T. P. Unit on the Rhode Island State College campus in June, 1943, the women of the **Dormitory Association** were moved into vacated fraternity houses. Though the soldiers have now left, the dormitory women still reside in the Delta Alpha Psi, Theta Chi and Phi Mu Delta Houses.

The Dormitory Association is still extant. This summer a miniature Country Fair was successfully staged by its members.

Officers of the Dormitory Association include:

President—Marilyn Fogel
Secretary—Irene Zisquit
Treasurer—Dorothy Walden

In addition to this over-all organization, each house has its own seperate officers. This semester Seniors and upperclassmen lived in Phi Mu Delta and Theta Chi Houses whose leaders are as listed:

Phi Mu House:
President—Frieda Kemos
Vice-President—Irene Vock
Secretary—Mary Ann Hartikka
Treasurer—Marjorie White
Social Chairman—Beverly Lightman.

Theta Chi House
President—Ruth Poole
Vice President—Marjorie Howe
Secretary—Muriel Pagliuca
Treasurer—Lucie Meola
Social Chairman—June Grossman.

Fraternities

All three men of our class spent their last semester on campus as fraternity members.

In the summer of 1944 the upperclassmen living in the T. K. E. House decided to organize into a "war fraternity." The organization of **Tau Sigma**, as it was called, supplanted to some extent the social experiences that had been absent from the campus for four semesters.

Freshman members were paced through two months of rigorous obedience to the dictates of eight tyrants, culminating in a successful "Hell Week."

Tau Sigma

Tau Sigma's officers are as follows:
President—Bruce Fogwell
Vice-President—Joseph Daly
Secretary-Treasurer—John Young
Social Chairman—Joseph Daly.

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Alpha Epsilon Pi

Rho Chapter was chartered on the Rhode Island State College campus in 1929. Since that date it has initiated 200 members. Four remain at Kingston, and enable the chapter to be still considered active by the national office. Two of these members graduate in the Sepetember, 1944 class—Edgar Barwood and Maurice Shore.

Both of these A. E. Pi men have held the office of fraternity president as Seniors. Moe was also social chairman and similarly, Ed Barwood, treasurer during one of their college years.

We Carry Tradition's Torch

One organization that has been stimulated by the war instead of being impeded is the **Women's Student Government Association.** Consisting of all the women students and representing them by council representatives, W. S. G. A. is concerned with the welfare of the women students. Since the war girls have been urged to take part in necessary war services such as making surgical dressings, donating blood plasma, and entertaining service men.

Because of the accelerated program, it was advisable to have election of officers every semester. Those elected in February were Elizabeth Whitaker, President; Anna Bills, Vice President; and Yolanda Santulli, Secretary-Treasurer.

During the spring semester, representatives of the WAC, WAVES, and Marine Corps visited the campus and spoke at the monthly Dean's Hour. April 14 and 15 saw the annual convention of the Women's Student Governments of New England at the University of Vermont. Betty Whitaker and Anna Bills with Miss Evelyn Morris as Faculty Adviser were sent as delegates. On May 1, an auction to promote the sale of war stamps was sponsored with Alice Crapser as auctioneer. A coffee in honor of the freshmen women was given on June 28. Women's Student Government Association, observing its annual practice, awarded three grants to needy and deserving students and gave a prize to the student who had the highest scholastic average.

Dean Amy M. Gilbert acts as adviser to the organization and has been instrumental in bringing about a more liberal and far-sighted attitude in its policies.

The officers for the summer semester were Elsie Martin, President; Marcia Cady, Vice President; and Grace Stover, Secretary-Treasurer.

The **Sachems** is an honorary organization made up of seniors, tapped on the basis of participation in campus activities and creditable scholarship, and of three faculty members, selected for their interest in campus life.

In pre-war times Sachems consisted of fifteen seniors, but for the past year only that number of Juniors proportionate to the size of the class from which they are taken has been tapped. Because of the accelerated program, tapping is held every semester.

In January, 1944, five girls, Louise Anthony, Dorothea Dahlquist, Jeanne Freeman, Margery Harrington, and Elizabeth Thresher were tapped; in May of this year Marite Delaney, Charles Schock, and John Chiaviarini merited the honor.

During the past year, the program of the organization included sponsorship of freshmen dances, class elections and enforcement of freshmen rules.

Officers and faculty members for the past semester were: Moderator, Jeanne Freeman; Secretary, Margery Harrington; Treasurer, Dorothea Dahlquist; Faculty, Dr. Robert S. Bell, Dean Amy M. Gilbert, Dr. Stephen T. Crawford.

The Rhode Island State College Chapter of **Phi Kappa Phi** on June 24, 1944, elected to membership four members of the eighth semester class. They were: Marian Aldred, Norma Bugbee, Ann Hopkins, and Yvonne Yare.

Initiation took place on the afternoon of August 24, at which time the new members were presented with their keys, ribbons, and certificates. Each was also given a corsage to wear to the party given in their honor that evening.

The Phi Kappa Phi party, to which all the honor students were invited, was held at the Union. The feature of the evening was a quiz program which was followed by a social hour and the serving of refreshments.

Keeping Trim With Gym

A glance through the Women's Athletic Association files discloses that there is hardly a girl in our class who has not participated in one or several sports activities. Athletics has come to occupy an important place in our campus life.

The **Field Hockey** season was already underway upon our arrival on campus back in September, '41. However, we were not long in proving that the class of '45 had many promising players to contribute to the varsity. It was that first season that we saw our own Edie Angell start at center-forward while Lois Pingree, Betty Whitaker, Lou Anthony, Margie Harrington, Kay Browning, Mary Jones, and Jeanne Freeman earned positions. When our second season of field hockey rolled around, these classmates of ours replaces the regulars who had been graduated. Our final season, fall of '43, really showed what our class could contribute when games were played against Pembroke, Providence, Hockey Club and the "Lame Ducks." Jeanne Freeman was labeled "one of the fastest wings the college had ever possessed." Kay Browning was an excellent halfback and Mary Jones was the star right-inner. Lou Anthony, center-forward, put many balls into the cage.

Basketball season in '41 also saw many members of our class perform, and Lou Anthony became the first '45 to play a regular position in the varsity. The following year found Jeanne Freeman, Betty Thresher, Mary Jones, Edith Angell, Lois Young, and Kay Browning also playing for the varsity teams. Our Senior basketball season witnessed our class "tops" — Captain Lou Anthony a high scorer for the varsity with Jeanne Freeman, Mary Jones, Betty Thresher, Lois Young, and Kay Browning, all outstanding members of the team. We won against Pembroke, the Camp Endicott WAVES, the "Lame Ducks," North Kingstown, and Posse. The only set-back was with New York University. Moreover, our **class** team won all its games and was awarded the new basketball banner which hangs in the gym marked "SENIORS '44."

The **softball and volleyball** tournaments, spring and summer, will be long remembered by all of us. We cannot begin to mention the names of all who participated in softball. In the summer of '43 outstanding players were selected to be on an "All Star" team which played the A. S. T. P. Unit then residing on our campus. Those chosen from our class were Jeanne Freeman, Lou Anthony, and Lois Young. Anyone who witnessed that game, would agree that the R. I. State coeds were even capable of giving the Army some real competition!

That same summer of '43 saw many swim for hours in the waters of Thirty Acres; the majority there with a real purpose—to obtain their senior lifesaving certificates. Registered Red Cross life-savers from our class are Edith Angell, Louise Anthony, Elaine Blumenthal, Norma Bugbee, Ann Hopkins, Mary Jones, Janet Joyce, Betty Thresher, Jeanne Freeman, Virginia Chapman and Ruth Wyatt. Lou Anthony made use of her certificate this summer in assisting the Physical Education Department with the aquacade which was presented by the P. T. classes.

Modern Dance like field hockey was a novelty to most of us when we arrived on campus. It developed surprisingly well under the excellent direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Beach. The two recitals in the spring of '43 and '44 were tremendously successful. Superior among the modern dancers were Norma Bugbee, Elaine Blumenthal, Iris Strong and Yvonne Yare.

Tennis saw outstanding members of our class excell, but one deserves special mention, "Skip" Wyatt.

Mrs. Beach and Miss June Gardner must be credited for arranging and enforcing the fine point system of awards

by which we have been able to earn with 500 points, a shield; 1,200 points, a silver key; and 1,600 points, a blazer.

Those in our class whose activity merited awards from the Women's Athletic Association for their outstanding athletic performances are as follows:

Shield: Margaret Aharonian, Edith Angell, Louise Anthony, Carolyn Browning, Norma Bugbee, Jeanne Freeman, Margery Harrington, Mary Jones, Janet Joyce, Lois Pingree, Elizabeth Thresher, Yvonne Yare, Lois Young.

Silver Keys: Edith Angell, Louise Anthony, Carolyn Browning, Jeanne Freeman, Mary Jones, Lois Pingree.

Only two have received the highest athletic award, the beautiful corduroy blazer with the "R. I." shield superimposed upon it. Mentioned frequently throughout this account, and the girls we shall remember as "The Athletes" of our class, are Louise Anthony and Jeanne Freeman.

Activities Live On

Once again an all girl staff has carried on the task of editing the BEACON. With limited funds and an acute paper shortage the size of the BEACON was necessarily reduced from its pre-war dimensions.

Editing the summer editions were:

Editor-in-chief
Marite Delaney
Managing Editor
Margery Harrington
News Editor
Irene Vock
Feature Editor
Dorothea Dahlquist
Women's Editor
Betty Whitaker
Co-Sports Editors
Louise Anthony, Ethel O'Connor
Copy Editor
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Business Manager
Beatrice Browning
Office Manager
Phyllis Stedman
Circulation Manager
Florence Sternback
Faculty Advisers
Professor Herbert M. Hofford
Stanley S. Gairloch

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As an organization for the enjoyment of some twenty students interested in photography, the **Camera Club** was revived this past July with the help of Miss Gaynell Neff, former director of the Union. Dr. John G. Albright, professor of physics, was appointed as faculty advisor.

Officers of the club include:

President
Edgar A. Barwood
Vice President
Muriel Sadler
Secretary-Treasurer
Ethel O'Connor

At weekly meetings, all phases of photography have been discussed under the able direction of Dr. Albright, and the enlarging, developing, and printing of pictures is anticipated by the members.

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The **Home Economics Club** is sponsored for and by the girls in the Home Economics curriculum. Their list of activities for the past semester was headed by a croquet rush-party for the Freshmen women held at the Union. In June, Margery Harrington was sent as the delegate from Rhode Island to the College Club Conference of the American Home Economics Association in Chicago. During the summer, slides of various flower arrangements were shown by the courtesy of the Coca Cola Company. The Club also sponsored a Philippine exhibit in Quinn Hall. This exhibit was loaned by Mrs. Harland Stuart who lectured on the exhibit at one of the meetings. In September, the club was responsible for arranging to

have the Gorham Silverware exhibit, and in the same month, a recognition service was held honoring the Home Economics Seniors who became members of the American Home Economics Association. Throughout the semester, the Home Economics Club was concerned with urging girls to aid in folding surgical dressings at the village Red Cross.

The officers for the past semester were:

President
Margery Harrington
Vice President
Lucie Meola
Secretary
Marjorie Howe
Treasurer
Elaine MacDonald
Social Chairman
Muriel Pagliuca

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The **International Relations Club** is an organized group of students who meet regularly to discuss international trends from an unprejudiced and objective point of view. The club sponsors the coming of many outside speakers to the campus. Its club members review books sent by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and presents round table discussions for the purpose of stimulating comment. Once a semester the I. R. C. participates in an assembly program. Much has been accomplished through the expert advice of Dr. William A. Itter. In the past semester the first banquet planned by the club was enjoyed in Lippitt Hall,

Mr. William Henry Chamberlain of the **Christian Science Monitor** addressed the club on September 7, on **"Stalin's Aims in War and Peace."**

The officers for the past semester were:

President
Elsie Martin
Vice President
Irene Vock
Secretary
Carolyn Browning
Treasurer
Jean Salter
Social Chairman
Frieda Kemos

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Portia Club, a debating society for women, has been one of the most active societies on campus during the past year. On April 21 and 22, Portia, cooperating with Wranglers, sponsored a College Model Congress, to which twenty eastern colleges sent delegates. Many home debates were arranged, and out-of-town trips to Temple, New York University, Bates College, Pembroke, Boston University, and Boston College were undertaken.

Cup debates are held every semester. One of these was the Freshmen debate, won this year by Janet Spink. Rush parties, given for each entering Freshman class, seek to discover girls who like debating.

The Club is indebted to Professor George E. Brooks, faculty adviser, for excellent advice and guidance.

The officers for the past semester were:

President
Iris Strong
Vice President
Elsie Martin
Manager
Janice Harred
Secretary-Treasurer
Irene Vock
Social Chairman
Shirlie Lalime
Publicity
Florence Sternback

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Phi Delta, Rhode Island's dramatic society, after an absence from the campus of more than two years, has once more been revived. For the first time since the Frosh Plays of 1941, Rhode Island State College witnessed a Phi Delta Production.

On Friday, September 8, 1944, Phi Delta presented three one-act plays: **Gratitude,** directed by Barbara Martin; Noel Coward's **Ways and Means,** directed by Dr. Lee C. Wilson; and **The Fa-**

vorites, written by Bruce Fogwell and directed by Mary Gariepy.

Dr. Lee C. Wilson, the faculty director, was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Marble, who have been associated with the Barker Playhouse of Providence before coming to Kingston. They took charge of the lighting, stage settings, costuming, and makeup for the Phi Delta productions.

Phi Delta officers are as follows:

President
Bruce Fogwell
Vice President
Barbara Martin
Secretary
Barbara Drummond
Treasurer
Robert Scott
Social Chairman
Gail Graham

Men's debating still carries on under the direction of Professor George E. Brooks. Within the past year, **Wranglers** and Portia Club jointly held a Model Congress for twenty-one Eastern Colleges. Activity for the summer was purposely decreased somewhat. One debate was held with Columbia University; Gene Marble and James Tierney represented Rhode Island State College there.

Freshman debates were held among the four newly elected members.

The officers of Wranglers for the summer semester were:

President
Gene Marble
Secretary-Treasurer
Joseph Emma
Manager
James Tierney
Freshman Coach
Edgar Barwood

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